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Dear Members of Ethics Board:

I, Biaster Hewitt-George, am asking for a waiver for the requested late fee amount. I sincerely apologize for any problems caused by my negligence. There were several factors that contributed to my paper work, after my qualifying for Tax Assessor of East Carroll Parish, being late.

First, I was very green as a candidate without prior experience or proper guidance. All I was concerned about was running a decent campaign and being a great asset for my parish, someone that they could be proud of.

Also, I was going through a few personal situations, one being that I was told in July that my only son had torn his ACL during football practice. I am a mother of four children and being told that was kind of mind-blowing for us because he required surgery, which was scheduled for October of 2015. During surgery, the surgeon had to repair more than originally thought and he would require extensive physical therapy in another town, three times a week. Prior to surgery, he had to have

physical therapy, three times a week, in a neighboring town, which also included the month of September 2015. This was candidacy qualifying month. My mind was on getting him to physical therapy. This required me to get permission from my boss to leave work an hour and a half early three times a week to make sure that he got to therapy. The surgery was performed in Shreveport, Louisiana. Shreveport is three hours away from where we live. Therefore, I had to take off the entire day of work to take him. To this day, my son still has to go to physical therapy three times a week and he goes to Shreveport for his checkups and more extensive therapy.

Moreover, during this ordeal, which is ongoing, my health began to deteriorate. Due to my situation and running for office, my blood pressure started to cause me more problems. I had it under control with medication, but I became stressed and my medication had to be altered and my health is under constant monitoring. I know that this may not be efficient reasoning for the paperwork being turned in late, but I am asking for leniency and understanding. I patiently await your decision on this matter.

Sincerely,

Blaster Hewitt-George

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